



**REQUEST  
for  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

*Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.*

*See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).*

Application Number	10/092,547
Filing Date	March 8, 2002
First Named Inventor	Hirotooshi FUKUNAGA et al.
Group Art Unit	3729
Examiner Name	Thiem D. PHAN
Attorney Docket Number	2002-0323A
Confirmation No.	8805

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See *Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.*

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

**a. ☐ Previously submitted:**

- i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on July 9, 2004.
- ii. ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
- iii. ☐ Other\_

**b. ☒ Enclosed:**

- i. ☒ Supplemental Amendment & Reply (9 pp.) w/attachment (1, 4 pp.)
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other: Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required).

b. ☐ Other\_

**3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)**

- a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. .

- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and § 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other\_

- b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$1,190.00 enclosed.

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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8805**  
Hirotooshi FUKUNAGA et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2002-0323A  
Serial No. 10/092,547 : Group Art Unit 3729  
Filed March 8, 2002 : Examiner Thiem D. Phan  
METHOD OF MANUFACTURING A :  
MOTOR COMPRISING A RARE EARTH  
THICK FILM MAGNET

**SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT & REPLY**

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S I R:

In response to the Advisory Action dated August 26, 2004, the final Office Action dated April 9, 2004 and in furtherance to the response filed July 9, 2004, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

A Petition for a two-month extension of time and a Request for Continued Examination hereby accompany this response.